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Homeless poets gain exposure

◆ Student artists find that homeless in Chicago have creative minds

BY JAMIE LAWSON

Although she had read their work, Jennifer Dutton didn't know what to expect when she met a group of homeless poets in Chicago last month.

Before she attended the poetry reading, she thought they might be "uneducated" and "burned-out."

What she found was a group of educated individuals, some with college degrees.

Dutton, a Somerset senior, and Teresa Honaker, a Crestwood senior, hand printed poetry written by the homeless as part of an independent studies class under art Assistant Professor Veronica Koss.

They traveled to Chicago to meet the poets whose works they printed.

Koss came up with the idea after meeting Bob Wolfe, who runs the Free River Press in Nashville.

The publishing house prints books of poetry written by the homeless and gives writing workshops and readings of artists' work.

The poetry was hand-set on thick art paper.

Although the works look simple, it took nearly 10 hours to set the type for each, Dutton said.

"It's a lot more work than it appears to be."

◆ Two students in an independent studies class hand printed poetry written by the homeless.



Heather Stone/Herald

A video plays on a cable television channel in the Resident Assistants' lounge on Pearce-Ford Tower's first floor. An RA claims the cable was illegally spliced. The Tower is supposed to have cable only in its lounges on the second and 27th floors.

TOWER OF TENSION: Black RA accuses his boss of discrimination

BY CHRIS PRYNTER

A black resident assistant in Pearce-Ford Tower said he'll sue Residence Life because a decision not to re-hire him as an RA for the spring was racially motivated.

Louisville junior Greg Putman contends that his boss, Maclynn Scott, refused to renew Putman's contract because she's intimidated by blacks.

Putman, who has been an RA for five semesters, also said he hasn't been given a concrete reason as to why he can no longer

be an RA.

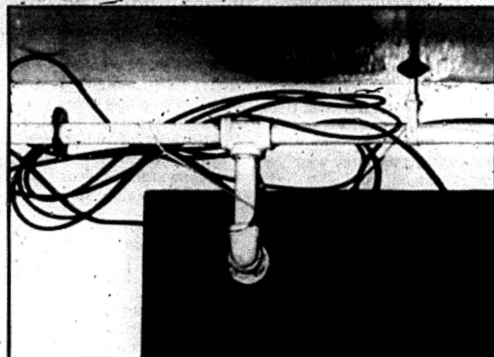
Scott, a Tower complex director, denies her decision was based on racial motives.

"I have some comments," Scott said, "but they are no comments I would want to give to the paper."

Mike Gillilan, area coordinator for Keen, Poland and Pearce-Ford dorms, said the decision to not re-hire Putman was an agreement between himself and Scott.

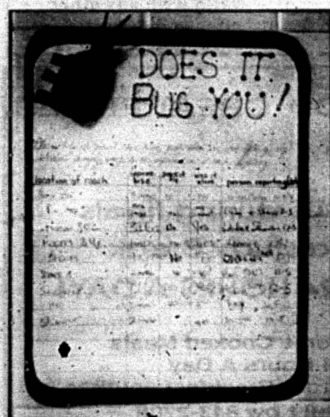
Both Gillilan and Scott

SEE TOWER, PAGE 3



Heather Stone/Herald

Wires wrapped around water pipes above the exit door of the Resident Assistants' lounge in Pearce-Ford Tower show that someone illegally spliced the cable from the second floor. The dorm director, who was accused of doing the installation, denies the charge.



Roaches bugging dorm dwellers

BY JIM HANNAH

Wilfred Brown of Cypress, Fla., said he woke up screaming when a roach dropped on his face.

The same week in October, the senior's Pearce-Ford Tower roommate, Matt Long, suffered the same fate.

"I was lying in bed and all of the sudden something was crawling on my face," the Crescent Springs freshman said. "After I knocked it off, I looked down and saw it was a roach."

The epidemic seems to be plaguing the rest of campus as well.

From May through November of this year, Western has averaged about 50 complaints a month about pests under its first

full year with an in-house pest controller.

During the same time period in 1990, when Nick's Termite and Pest Control was in charge, the average was about 20 complaints a month.

One Central Hall resident who saw a roach crawling in the shower stall last weekend has hung a sign in the bathroom asking people to record roach sightings, to serve as a sort of petition for better bug control.

"I paid money for a dorm room, which I keep clean," Brooksville sophomore Carrie Stearsman said, "so why can't the university keep the building clean to prevent roaches?"

Western hired Ed Parker Oct. 1, 1990, to

save money and better treat buildings, said Kemble Johnson, Physical Plant director. Before that, Nick's worked for Western for three years.

Parker was manager at the Nick's in Bowling Green when they were under contract with Western. He was fired for being "lazy," Owner Ron Nickelson said. Now Parker is Western's sole certified pest control agent.

Since Parker has been working (with help from some volunteers), there have been several inconsistencies with buildings being fogged and sprayed according to schedule.

SEE ROACH, PAGE 3

♦ Just a second

Projects get more than \$6 million

Western has had an increase in funding for sponsored activity for the seventh straight year.

Sponsored activity consists of research, development, training and service projects provided by the faculty.

Western received \$6,000,700 in funding, 10 percent (\$550,000) more than last year, according to the office of Sponsored Programs 1991 fiscal year report.

Colleen Mendel, director of Western's Child Care Program and the director of the Region Four Head Start Resource Center, received the most individual funding. She received \$625,646 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for her Head Start Training and Technical Assistance Resource Center.

♦ Campusline

There will be a Christmas brunch for Women in Transition members from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday. For information contact Faculty Adviser Catherine Ward at 745-5767.

The Voice will have its final meeting of the semester at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in Potter Hall lobby. The meeting will be brief. For information contact Editor Darla Carter at 745-2781.

The Hillraisers are having a dance at 10 p.m. Thursday at Cutter's Restaurant. The \$6 tickets will not be sold at the door. For information contact President Keith Rigdon at 745-2476.

Steve Camp will be in concert at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Van Meter Auditorium. Tickets can be bought in advance for \$4 at the Baptist Student Union or at WCVK-FM Radio or for \$6 at the door. For information contact Vice President Tracy Smith at 781-3185.

If you are a rape victim and a need a place to turn, contact the Rape Awareness Student Committee (Nancy Whittle at 782-1640 or Shawn Crabtree at 781-4391).



Heather Stone/Herald

Pitching a project: Scottsville senior Susan Young, a chemistry and biology major, explains some solutions for recycling plastics to biology Professor Frank Toman. Young and four other students presented their final project "Evaluation of Recyclable Plastics: Waste Volume Reduction by Incineration" last night at the Physical Chemistry Poster Symposium. Chemistry classes 412 and 450 are required to do a group presentation that is evaluated by chemistry, biology and physics professors.

♦ For the record/crime reports

Reports

♦ Jennifer Lorain Taylor, Bemis Lawrence Hall, reported criminal mischief done to her car while it was parked on Regent's Drive Thursday night. An estimated \$50 damage was done when someone broke the rear window on the driver's side.

♦ John Gregory Forzley, Keen Hall, reported the hubcaps stolen from his car while it was parked in Egypt lot between Dec. 2-5. The hubcaps were valued at \$26.

♦ A drafting machine was reported stolen from the Industrial Education Building,

Room 301, on Dec. 3 or 4. The machine was valued at \$175.

♦ Thomas Deane Davenport, Keen Hall, reported criminal mischief done to his truck while it was parked on Center Street at Keen Hall Wednesday. Someone had apparently kicked a dent into the left front fender, causing \$200 damage.

♦ Rebecca Lynn Baker, Rhodes-Harlin Hall, reported criminal mischief to her car while it was parked in either Diddle or Egypt lot between Dec. 4 and Dec. 8. About \$250 damage was done after someone scratched the right side of the

car with a sharp object.

Arrests

♦ Patrick L. Satterfield, 220 Keen Hall, was arrested by Public Safety on charges of possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

After complaints of the smell of marijuana coming from the room, Public Safety searched Satterfield's room and found a marijuana pipe and a small plastic bag containing four grams of the drug.

Satterfield was taken to the Warren County Regional Jail and was later released.

Hubcaps stolen in Pearce-Ford lot

BY STEPHANIE STIVERS

Two men and a juvenile were arrested last Wednesday after a Public Safety officer found them with several stolen hubcaps in Pearce-Ford lot.

Philip Wayne Basil, 333 Boiling Springs Road, Joel Kelly Vanaelst, 7288 Louisville Road, and a 17-year-old juvenile from Florida, were arrested after Public Safety found several hubcaps and loose car parts in the back seat of their car,

according to the police report.

A witness called Public Safety when he noticed criminal mischief in the lot and the responding officers noticed a car exiting the Pearce-Ford gravel lot the wrong way. When officers stopped the car, they noticed the hubcaps in the back seat. The men and the juvenile were arrested and taken to the Warren County Regional Jail.

Basil was charged with third-degree criminal trespassing, alcohol intoxication, theft over

\$100, possession of drug paraphernalia, and three counts of receiving stolen property. During a search, officers found a marijuana pipe in Basil's shirt pocket.

Vanaelst and the juvenile were both charged with third-degree criminal trespassing, theft over \$100, and three counts of receiving stolen property.

Vanaelst and Basil are each being held in jail under a \$10,000 cash bond.

The hubcaps were valued at \$155.

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TOWER: Cable illegally spliced

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wouldn't comment about why they will not re-hire Putman because it's "personnel matters."

"People on this staff are prone to making mistakes just like anyone else," Gillilan said. He wouldn't comment on what mistakes Putman has made.

Putman said he's broken some dorm policies such as not escorting his girlfriend and letting a friend stay in his room for two weeks. But those things are minor when compared with other violations other RAs have made, he said.

Putman said that when a white RA was caught making wine in his room, Gillilan didn't fire him.

He also said that when a white RA was caught growing marijuana in his room, nothing was done.

And when two RAs were intercepting mail and ordering compact discs and sending the bill to a former dorm resident, the two were allowed to remain on staff, Putman said.

Putman said white RAs receive favored treatment over black RAs, and it's evident from these examples.

But Gillilan said it's unfair for Putman to speculate on specific examples because he doesn't know all the facts.

Residence Life Director Dave Parrott said there is no discrimination, rather it's an angry student grasping for someone to blame.

"When we have angry employees, they tend to dream things up," Parrott said.

Parrott said he believes Gillilan and Scott have shown

they are able to attract and work with a diverse staff.

But Putman contends that the

Tower doesn't have a diverse staff — there are currently only two black RAs out of 23 in the Tower. And as of yesterday, there will be none next semester — Putman isn't being re-hired and another black RA isn't returning to Western.

The Tower should have more black RAs, Putman contends.

Gillilan said he realizes his staff could be more diverse, and he's trying to encourage minority students to apply for RA positions.

While the Tower may not have a diverse staff, Residence Life does, Parrott said.

Although 10 percent of campus is minority, 24 percent of Residence Life is comprised of minority workers, Parrott said.

Putman said being a black RA in a predominately white dorm is tough — white residents tend to clam up when dealing with a black.

"I've been called nigger several times," Putman said. "It's very hard to accept when you're doing your job."

Putman said he wants students to know what's happening in "corrupt Pearce-Ford Tower."

He said RAs are constantly disobeying dorm policies, and they're not being punished.

"When we have angry employees, they tend to dream things up."

— Dave Parrott
Residence Life director

"Everybody knows RAs can get away with everything because they don't get safety checks."

Safety checks are routine inspections of dorm rooms for safety and policy violations.

Gillilan said other RAs are supposed to check fellow RA's rooms, but that doesn't always happen.

Besides disobeying policy, Gillilan himself is breaking the law, Putman said.

Putman said Gillilan spliced cable wire from the second-floor student lounge in the Tower and ran it to the RA lounge on the first floor.

After visiting the lounge yesterday and seeing the cable, Gillilan said he wasn't aware that it was hooked to the television.

Gillilan contends he did not do it — the wire has been there for a while, he said.

Bob Wiltshire, a Physical Plant worker who coordinates cable on campus, said Western pays for cable for only the lounges on the second and 27th floors of the Tower.

Public Safety should be notified of the violation, Wiltshire said.

"I'm not trying to get money" out of this lawsuit, Putman said. "I just want the people of Western Kentucky University to know what happens."

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ROACH: Students are complaining

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Western's 18 dorms are supposed to be fogged and sprayed in March, May, August, and December, according to its yearly schedule for pest control. But discrepancies in records have made it difficult to determine when the schedule has been followed.

According to pest control's daily work sheets, the only time the Tower was sprayed and fogged by Parker this year was in May.

When questioned, Pennington gave the College Heights Herald a separate set of documents he said had been misplaced. The documents said Parker sprayed and fogged the Tower Aug. 9 of this year with the help of five men.

There are no records showing that the Tower was sprayed and fogged in March.

A memo from Pennington dated March 5, 1991, however, said the Tower, in addition to Rodes-Harlin, Central and Keen halls was supposed to be entirely sprayed and fogged that month.

Compounding the problem, other dorms' community areas were sprayed, but students' rooms were not.

In another instance, daily work sheets show that Parker did not work three days in May because of a three-day vacation. Yet, according to the documents that had reportedly been misplaced, Diddle Dorm and Potter Hall were treated during that period.

Parker, whose goal is to eliminate all roaches from

Western's campus, said he has been spraying all dorms according to the schedule.

And several students have not had any problems since Parker has been in charge.

"Roaches haven't been a major problem," said Kristi Payne, an Owensboro freshman and Central resident. "I haven't seen any in my room."

Johnson said he thinks Western's pest control has been improving recently because the in-house program has been eliminating the sources of the bugs.

For example, Johnson said, the trash chutes in Central, Rodes-Harlin and Gilbert halls were repaired so trash would fall all the way through and not sit in the chute attracting roaches.

"I think that we are in better shape than we ever have been," Johnson said.

Residents on the Tower's 25th floor tend to disagree.

"They are everywhere — in the kitchen, in the hall, around the beds, on the toilet seats and in the storage room," said Scott Dossey, a Brownsville freshman.

Eddyville sophomore Kevin Estes and Frankfort sophomore Tom Quisenberry agreed and said part of the roach problem is caused by the food for the Top of the Tower that is stored on their floor.

Dossey said the roaches are so bad that he and some other residents pooled together their money and called Orkin Extermination to come spray the 25th floor in November. Orkin wouldn't take the job.

Fritz Hinze, an Owensboro junior and resident assistant on

the fifth floor of the Tower, said he too has a problem with roaches, and even bought traps to kill them.

A note at the Tower's front desk instructed RA's to only comment positively to Herald reporters, two RA's said.

Melanie Stark, a sophomore from Cross Plains, Tenn., said she complained to a resident assistant four times before her room in Rodes-Harlin was sprayed.

And "the one time they (Parker) sprayed our room it didn't seem to do any good," said Stark's roommate Lora Lybrook, a freshman from Martinsville, Ind.

"I think they should maybe spray the whole floor. When they just spray one room it runs the roaches to another."

Number of complaints by dorm:

- West Hall — 1
- Potter Hall — 2
- Diddle Dorm — 3
- Bates Runner — 5
- Gilbert Hall — 7
- McLean Hall — 7
- North Hall — 7
- Barnes-Campbell — 8
- East Hall — 8
- Poland Hall — 8
- Central Hall — 9
- South Hall — 9
- Bemis Lawrence — 10
- McCormack Hall — 12
- Schneider Hall — 12
- Keen Hall — 15
- Pearce-Ford Tower — 16
- Rodes-Harlin — 25

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Opinion

Recycling efforts need to continue

Last week's recycling conference was a first for Western. Representatives of the university and student groups met to unify their efforts to make Western a cleaner, more efficient place to live and work.

Students from Associated Student Government, United Student Activists, Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity and Phi Upsilon Omega home economics society met with administrators Dec. 3 to discuss recycling at Western.

To its credit, Western has been recycling — and making money doing so — for four years. Leaves collected on campus are hauled to the university farm for composting. The compost is later sold, and 75 percent of the proceeds are used for scholarship money for agriculture majors.

Western also is recycling cardboard, and it is specifying the use of recycled paper in its printing bids. But there's still room for improvement.

About 40 percent of the waste generated by Western is paper. Disposing of it costs more than \$80,000. Recycling that paper would not only be environmentally sound, it would save money in a time when higher education needs it most.

Any financial benefit aside, recycling isn't one of these "here today, gone tomorrow" fads. We can no longer ignore the effect of our throwaway society. And there's a moral component to being environmentally responsible: Should we make our grandchildren suffer for our own mismanagement of natural resources?

Despite the university's recycling efforts and plans for the future, there's still a missing component.

Student participation.

It takes only a moment to put empty aluminum cans in the recycling bins. And with the purchase of 11 additional bins by ASG, recycling will be even easier.

The dialogue between student groups and the university about recycling will continue. It will take expanded efforts by both to ensure that we leave future generations a legacy of a clean environment.

♦ Our view/editorials



♦ Your view/letters to the editor

Restore funding of higher education

The recent announcement to impose a \$30 million cut on higher education makes me wonder if we are confusing "savings" with "cost."

An expedient "savings" such as this will undoubtedly lead to a higher "cost" later.

Dr. Charles Washington, the leader of our flagship university, is committed to making the University of Kentucky and the community college system a premier university in our nation. The other college leaders, no doubt, share the same commitment.

Our commitment to education must be complete! When the General

Assembly committed us to KERA, that implicitly committed us to the entire campaign of better education for our citizens. If we are willing to fight the battle for better schools through grade 12, are we then willing to lose the campaign by shortchanging higher education?

The college presidents are not magicians. Sure, they can make some budget cuts, but the magnitude of this cut reneges on a promise.

Let's not keep whipping the horse that we expect to pull the load in the years to come. Restore the money to higher education and keep the commitment to our young people just beginning to benefit from KERA.

Hopefully, we have not lost sight of our original purpose — to make our

students more competitive in the world that now faces them.

Jerry Cecil
Hazel Green resident

Travel complaint adds 'insult to injury'

I am writing in response to the article in the Magazine section of the Nov. 19 College Heights Herald. I am referring to, specifically, the comment made by Coach Ralph Willard on how hard it is for the team to travel. "Instead of taking a direct flight everywhere, we take a flight and then a connection and then maybe a bus."

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♦ Policies/letters to the editor

Philosophy

The Opinion page is for the expression of ideas, both yours and ours.

Our opinion takes the form of editorials and staff columns.

Your opinions can be expressed in letters to the editor. Letters to the editor can be submitted to the College Heights Herald office at Garrett Center, Room 109, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Writers are generally limited to two letters per semester. Letters must be typed or neatly written, with the writer's name,

hometown, phone number and grade classification or job title. Letters submitted should be less than 250 words in length. The Herald reserves the right to edit letters for style and length.

Because of space limitations we can't promise every letter will appear. Timely letters and those submitted first will be given priority.

If discussion on a topic becomes redundant, the Herald will stop printing letters that offer little new to the debate.

The deadline for letters is 4 p.m. Sunday for Tuesday's paper and 4 p.m. Tuesday for Thursday's paper.

Story Ideas

If you know of any interesting events on or around campus, let us know. Call 745-2655.

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POETS: Art for the homeless

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She and Honaker did more than set the type. They "designed it to go along with what the poem said."

The signed works are on display at the new Harold Washington Public Library in Chicago.

The limited editions will be sold to raise money for the homeless.

The poets read their poetry as part of "Voices Louder Than Words," an event featuring homeless writers.

"They lost that identity of being

homeless and became poets," Koss said.

The homeless were flattered that someone would take the time to hand-set their work, she said.

"Art can go for other things than besides one's ego," she said.

"That was the greatest gift."

♦ **'They**
lost that
identity of
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became poets.'

♦ Police news

Student accused of aiming BB gun at another at another

BY STEPHANIE STIVERS

A Western student was arrested early Friday morning after allegedly pointing a BB gun at another student in Central lot.

Derrick D. Dulaney, 225 North Hall, was arrested by Public Safety at 1:51 a.m. on charges of alcohol intoxication and wanton endangerment.

Dulaney was taken to the Warren County Regional Jail

and has been released. The victim did not wish to press charges for wanton endangerment.

Witnesses said Dulaney and a group of black males approached three white men in a car parked in a 10-minute zone. Dulaney then pulled a BB gun and pointed it at the head of one of the white men.

Then the group of black men went into the Central Hall lobby where Public Safety found them. An officer searched Dulaney and found the BB gun in his left front coat pocket, according to the police report.

"We are looking into the possibility that this incident may not be the first time the individual has pulled a gun," Public Safety's Capt. Kirby said in reference to a Nov. 1 incident when a black man pointed a gun at a Bowling Green motorist on University Boulevard. That incident is still under investigation.

♦ **Public**
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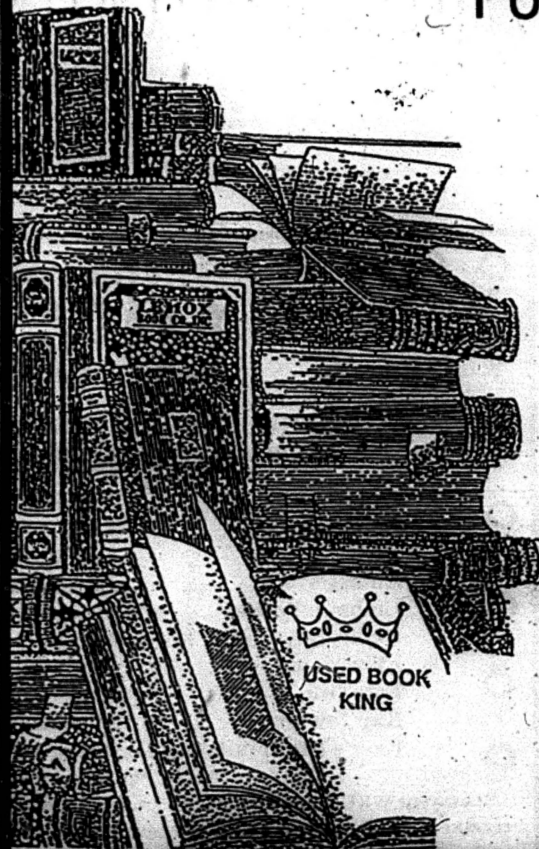


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Helping Hands

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The sounds of a hymn being played on a wooden upright piano trickle softly down the curving hallway. The mixture of strong and weak, young and old, voices sing the familiar words — "This is my story, this is my song, praising my savior all the day long."

From her office in Western's Adult Day Health Care and Alzheimer Respite Center, Jeane Robertson can see the group of 12 gathered in the activities room around volunteer John Grant. She balances talking to a student worker, answering the constantly ringing phone and talking to someone from the Bowling Green Humane Society about a pet therapy program.

Grant leans forward on the plaid couch, grips the microphone with both hands and leads a jerky hip-hop rap of "Amazing Grace," bobbing his head to the rhythm.

Grant used to work at the center, but when his graduate work was finished, he stayed as a volunteer. He's one of more than 100 Western students who've gotten hands-on experience dealing with the elderly at the center, Robertson said.

The center moved Sept. 25 from its Scottsville Road location to University Boulevard. Western bought the privately run facility in August 1990.

"This is a far better location in so much that it's closer to the students and faculty," Robertson, who's been director since June, said.

An average of 18 clients a day attend the center. They must be at least 60 years old with some type of physical, mental, social or emotional disability.

The center is an alternative to a nursing home and gives the elderly in the community a place to go during the day while their caregivers are working.

"You can ask any of the participants out there how much they love it here otherwise they might be in some kind of nursing facility," said employee David Taylor, a Gamaliel senior.

"Even if I was a rich lady, I couldn't stand to sit at home and hold my hands," said Ruth, 81, who has just been diagnosed with cancer of the liver and stomach.

Working with the elderly is important because no matter what students are studying, they will all have contact with the elderly, Robertson said.

One in every eight Americans, or 12.4 percent, is 65 years old or older, according to the American Association of Retired Persons. By the year 2030, 21.8 percent of Americans will be 65 years of older.

Clients work with volunteers like Grant daily. Their routine includes exercising, playing games to help their

memory, and going on outings.

The center is an educational experience for the clients and the students, who are often not exposed to the elderly while at school.



Bowling Green graduate student Kim Hohn, holds Faye Montgomery's hand at the Adult Day Health Care and Alzheimer Respite Center.

Story by Jamie Lawson

"I couldn't do the job that I do without Western students," Robertson said. "We have a waiting list now for participants, which is good in a way, but also regretful."

Grant is like most students who come to the center and stay longer than their required time, Robertson said.

"As they become more comfortable, they come back more," she said.

When students first come to the center, "they're apprehensive and don't know how to act," she said.

That's because most come with the preconceived stereotype of the elderly being "senile, incontinent, lonely and not interested in learning new things," said public health Professor Jimmie Price.

It was Price's Death Education class that got Robertson hooked on the area of gerontology, the study of the aging process and the elderly.

Robertson, 58, came to Western in 1988 after attending the Bowling Green College of Commerce in the '50s; the college later became part of Western. She graduated in May with a bachelor's degree in general education and a master's degree in education with an emphasis on adult development and gerontology.

With the semester coming to a close, Robertson has been preparing the participants for when the students leave.

Although they are "taught that this is not a permanent thing," Robertson said, "it's really a loss. It's just another loss in their life."

Clients and students go through an in-service program at the beginning of each semester to tell them what to expect.

"We've got to get ready for the class of '92, a bunch of greenhorns," Robertson told the group as she got ready to read the daily Bible devotional on a cold December morning.

Isabel, 80, a petite woman whose grayish green eyes can only see shadows, said the end of the semester is a happy and sad time.

"In a way, you're sad; in a way, you're glad," she said, "because they got a job, and they won't forget us."

But January will bring a new group of students and the learning process will continue.

"We tell them (the clients) it's their job to talk about the aging process," she said. "Older Americans are our most valuable natural resource." □

♦ Police news

Campus thefts nearly double

BY STEPHANIE STIVERS

Recent statistics show that campus thefts in September nearly doubled the number of thefts last September.

A report containing Public Safety's most recent crime statistics shows that there were 33 thefts on campus during September compared with 18 during September of last year.

"Property crime has increased while other Class 1 offenses like assault and rape appear to be down," Capt. Richard Kirby said.

Combination of factors

Kirby said there is no one reason for the increase in thefts, but that it probably is a combination of factors including the population growth at Western, the recession, and the fact that people are reporting crimes more than before.

Thefts have increased 27 percent, but at the same time the report shows an increase in arrests with a record of 19 for September compared with eight in September 1990.

More solved cases

Along with the rise in crime this September, the report shows that 37 percent of the reported offenses have been cleared or solved, which is 20 percent above the national average, Public Safety Director Horace Johnson said.

Public Safety also has worked on the installment of a crime prevention program and hiring three new officers who will

begin working after Christmas.

Johnson said he's enjoyed his first semester as director despite the fact that it has been "busy."

"It's been challenging work-

ings with a new athletics director, and cooperating with officers and construction crews," Johnson said.

"I've enjoyed the first six months and I look forward to more."

Making people aware

As far as goals for next semester, Public Safety hopes to improve the crime prevention program by expanding into the community to educate people about crime and to make students more aware. The program includes an officer who lectures to students about crime prevention.

More information

Johnson said the department also has plans to compile a brochure of crime statistics and Public Safety's policies that will

be available to students and employees.

Johnson hopes the brochure will be available by Sept. 1, 1992 as is required by the federal

Campus Security Act that took effect in August.

The brochure will be used to make the public aware of campus safety.

"Student awareness and being involved is the best method of crime prevention," Kirby said.

"We strongly encourage students to report crimes and help us when they can."

Keep doors locked

Kirby also wants students to know that the rise in thefts will probably be a continuing problem and that students should lock their doors.

He also said students should be especially careful as they leave for Christmas and be sure not to leave valuables unattended when loading cars to go home.

"Student awareness and being involved is the best method of crime prevention. We strongly encourage students to report crimes and help us when they can."

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Christmas



One of the many jobs that Santa has is to face with is crying children like nine month-old Kayli Bowers. She and her brother Derek were one of many children to sit on Russell Huff's lap over the weekend at the Greenwood Mall. Huff is a Marrowbone junior who has a part-time job as Santa Claus.

Santa: 'It's still a business...'

Photo by Tom Leininger

Story by Dana Fife

Santa's heavy, red suit might keep him toasty at the North Pole, but on center stage at Greenwood Mall, it just makes him hot.

"Whoever thought up wearing a big, red suit wasn't thinking," Marrowbone junior Russell Huff said. "The suit's hot."

Huff began working as Santa in the mall when he answered an ad in the College Heights Herald last year seeking extra Christmas cash. He was immediately hired when he re-applied this year.

This year he said he's doing it for more than the money.

"I love kids," he said. When little girls and boys approach him smiling, the heat and

discomfort of his suit don't matter.

"I like to work with children," he said.

"They're always different and interesting." Huff said his fiancée also enjoys watching him work with kids in the mall. "She loves it."

As Santa, Huff hears traditional requests for fire trucks, Barbie dolls and Nintendos.

But last Christmas, one child asked, "Can you bring my daddy home from Saudi Arabia?" Huff said he didn't know what to say.

Huff gets paid \$5 an hour and sometimes gets a free cookie and drink from The Cookie Store if he has a good night of picture sales.

"It's still a business, even though it's Santa," he said. He usually works a four-hour shift with a 15 minute break. Business is slow during the week, but last weekend, a line extended to LeRoy Jewelers.

Huff said he often gets kicked by terrified children thrown in his lap by parents wanting pictures. His concern is that the children will remain afraid of Santa if they're forced by their parents. The children that fight are usually between one and three.

"You're doing something right if you get a kid that young to sit in your lap," he said. "By the time they're three and four, they're used

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Illustration by Tom Leininger/Herald

Toys and games are a sure bet to brighten a child's Christmas. Barbie dolls and Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles are the rage this season. For adults, Trivial Pursuit is coming back, while games like Sexual Trivia and Pass Out, a drinking game, will ensure no one will be bored over Christmas break.

Old classics and new toys top kids Christmas lists

BY STEPHANIE STIVERS

Baby dolls, bear claws and board games are the trendy toys this holiday season as parents pinch pennies thanks to the recession, local store owners say.

Cynde Neal agrees. The junior from Macon, Ga., said she won't be spending as much money on Christmas this year because the recession has made money tight.

"It's different for me because I'm a student and a single parent. When you don't have much money coming in, not much can go out."

Neal says her 3-year-old son, Matthew, seems to like the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, remote-control trucks and big robots.

"Yes, he will get a robot and a Ninja Turtle sleeping bag for Christmas," Neal said. "I also like to buy educational toys like books or tapes. I like toys he can use his imagination with."

Kids are still fond of the old-time favorites such as Barbie and the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, the Greenwood Mall Santa said.

Mike Davis, toy department manager at Wal-Mart, said Baby Alive, Cabbage Patch Grimp and Curl, Magic Copier, the Color Blaster air brush machine are also popular this holiday season.

Meanwhile, children and adults alike goggled at the assortment of puppies, kittens and rabbits occupying Petland while one family walked out with a bag of fish.

Petland Manager Bob Overturf said the recession has affected business in the mall "all year long, but just barely."

"We're doing better than expected," Overturf said. "Everything is selling. Tarantulas are even selling. We're pleasantly surprised."

Assistant Manager Kelly Colovos, of the Greenwood Mall Radio Shack, said cheaper toys are selling better this season.

"This year it seems small, hand-held (electronic) games are popular. We're also selling a lot of remote-control cars and remote-control trucks and musical keyboards."

Popular items from Spencer Gifts in the mall include Beary Christmas Slippers, Walking Reindeer, My Pooch Pal and the Super Shooter 200 water gun, Manager Elsie Dussault said.

The slippers are shaped like brown or white bear claws, and My Pooch Pal is a battery-operated walking dog.

On the adult side of fun, "Sexual Trivia is about the only thing we're selling a lot of, but another popular game is Pass Out," Dussault said. Pass Out is a drinking game.

Board games, including the ever-popular Monopoly, are still a popular gift for boys and girls of any age, Mullins said. Davis said a lot of people are buying Gestures, a game similar to charades, and Trivial Pursuit.

"Usually any board games sell because they are considered a last-minute gift," Davis said.

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CREDIT CARDS: A short journey into shopper hell

The twit across the counter at Ormond Shops Inc., in the Greenwood Mall stared at me with a patronizing smile. I drummed my fingers and stared back.

The clerk demanded two major credit cards as identification when I tried to write a check for a layaway. I don't have major credit cards and don't want any.

I offered two picture IDs, a long-since expired J.C. Penney's credit card showing no expiration date, a Social Security card, a library card, an insurance card, preferred customer cards from Wal-Mart and Lowes, National Rifle Association membership card, a Red Cross blood-type card, and the proposed name of my, as yet unconceived, first born.

The twit glanced at the pile, unimpressed.

"Who can I write to?" I thought. The manager. The owner. Better yet, the president. I sifted through the composed but untipped angry letters stacked on the cluttered desktop of my mind and knew I would never do it.

Nevertheless, I chose that moment to resist the trend of retailers to demand that people owe money to spend money. I thought about walking out, but this was the only suit in Bowling Green that would match the colors in my brother's wedding, and they had only one size five left.

"Discrimination!" I cried through clenched teeth. I didn't need the suit that night, but I was mad, and it was my duty as a conservative to ruin that clerk's whole evening.

She suggested I use the cash machine in the mall.

"Can't do it," I said. "My bank machine has a \$100 withdrawal limit per day."

"You could go to the bank," she squeaked.

"It's Sunday," I retorted. "What if I needed this suit tonight?" I snidely asked. "I don't have the cash, can't get the cash on Sunday and you would be guilty of discriminating against me by not selling me merchandise because I don't have major credit cards."

Sunday school references to end-of-time biblical prophecy appeared in my head from the past. Mark of the beast. Not able to buy or sell unless you have their NUMBER. I was primed for a fight.

"It's just store policy," she quipped.

"It's stupid policy," I said. True, it wasn't her

fault, but there was no stopping me. "Credit cards are from hell," I thought. My father said so, and his father would have said so, had plastic been available to them.

"Why do you have to have credit cards?" I asked again. With a credit-card number, they could report me if my check bounced, I was informed.

"It's a layaway," I snapped. "If the check bounces you can keep the clothes."

Reason made no dent, but at last I had gotten to the heart of the issue. If they didn't get my money, with a credit-card number, at least they could savor the bittersweet taste of revenge and breathe the heady aroma of my charred and smoldering credit rating. Has the world come to this?

"With my credit-card number, you could charge sleazy lingerie on the Home Shopping Network," I said. Her eyes got wide.

"I don't know you have money in that account," she advanced.

"You don't know anyone has any money in any account," I countered. "Do you realize I'm a better risk because I don't have credit cards?"

"You could give me your checking account number," she offered.

"Like hell," I said. "I can go the %!&%#! bank with no ID and withdraw money with that number." It wasn't like me to

curse.

"Then can I see your payroll stub?" she asked. More cursing. There was no way I would show the twit my payroll stub. Besides, it was the principle.

"A payroll stub doesn't mean I have money in the bank," I said.

"Exactly," she said.

Exactly.

I had them hold the suit and left, muttering about buying a \$12,000 truck two days before with far less hassle and about never shopping there again. I returned the next day to find a lady behind the counter who knew my husband from grade school.

I had the cash, but I wrote a check and left with my suit.

My husband asked me a few days later where I would like to settle down to raise a family.

"A place where the neighbors bring food when you move in," I said, "...and where you're more than just a number."

Editor's note: Cassandra Murray Doyle is a Bowling Green senior majoring in journalism.

Cassandra Murray Doyle Commentary

◆ Ho-ho happenings

Here's a partial list of stuff going on in Bowling Green and around the area this holiday season.

- University Center Board and Associated Student Government present **Hanging of the Green**, Western's campus-wide Christmas party, at Downing University Center tonight. There will be Christmas music, cookies and drinks and pictures with Big Red as Santa from 6 to 10 p.m. Admission is one canned food item.

- There will be **free carriage rides around Fountain Square Park** Saturday and Sunday from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. For information contact Director Cheryl Mendenhall of the Downtown Business Association at 843-5572.
- Hardin Planetarium and the department of physics and astronomy will present **"The Star of Bethlehem"** tonight and Thursday at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.

- The Southern Kentucky Choral Society** will present Vivaldi's "Gloria" and part one of Handel's "Messiah" 8 p.m. Saturday at Van Meter Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and senior citizens and can be bought at the door.

- The 19th Annual Living Christmas Tree Service** - "Behold the Lamb of God" - will be presented at the Glendale Baptist Church tomorrow at 7 p.m. Music includes selections from Handel's "Messiah" and traditional Christmas carols. Glendale Baptist is located at 1000 Roselawn Way (off Smallhouse Road). For more information, contact Pastor Richard P. Oldham at 781-1708.

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REVIEW
BY NOELLE PHILLIPS

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The following records are upbeat recent releases that you can give to siblings, cousins or yourself. And the average cost of a compact disc is \$14, which is about as inexpensive as you can go on a gift without being cheap.

1. never mind the mainstream....The Best of MTV's 120 Minutes Vol. 2:

MTV, the king of mainstream music, has made a compilation tribute to it's not so mainstream 120 Minutes. For the alternative music fans on your Christmas list, this would make a nice gift if there's no specific disc they want.

This is the first compilation from MTV's show, which airs for two hours on Sunday. The disc has 16 tunes featuring artists as old as the Ramones to newer groups such as Faith No More.

There is a Volume One that features Red Hot Chili Peppers, XTC, Stone Roses and more. If your favorite alternative music fan already has all these discs, don't purchase the compilations

because none of the songs are re-mixes. But if they want to hear 120 Minutes minus the VJ, ask Santa to stuff it in their stocking.

2. Derelicts of Dialect — 3rd Bass:

Thumbs up to 3rd Bass for "Pop Goes the Weasel." It's a song slamming entertainers who have hits using other people's work. "I should've started RAPE, Rappers Against Phony Entertainers" is a line from the rap. There are several grooves on



this disc that defend rap as an art form, and 3rd Bass proves its ability by producing 23 strong numbers on Derelicts of Dialect. There are re-mixes at the end

They have a lot more noise in the background," said Berea senior Jason Cooper, a disc jockey at New Rock '92. "There's an

of "Derelicts of Dialect" and "Pop Goes the Weasel" for extra dance fun.

Wrap this one for your favorite derelict of dialect.

3. Achtung Baby — U2:

The much-hyped U2 album is on the shelves in time for Christmas. And it's a different sound with a more mature band.

"They have more power than they used to.

industrial influence they haven't had before."

More of the tracks on the new album are about love and there's less politics than usual. Opinions vary on every artists' work. This may not be U2's greatest, but any U2 fan needs it added to their collection.

4. Welcome to My Dream — MC 900 Ft. Jesus:

Maybe having a second full-length album with a song on Billboard's Top 10 Dance chart is MC 900 Ft. Jesus' dream.

The second tune "Killer Inside Me" has spent some time on Billboard's list. It's got a funky drum rhythm and some scratching too to get your feet moving.

Mark Griffin, a.k.a. MC 900 Ft. Jesus, has put together an album of funk and hip with a lot of bass and a little bit of jazz sound. It's not as raplike as the first album, but it's fun to dance to.

Give this to one of your cousins so on Christmas night when you're tired of Jingle Bells, you can spin this disc and dance out the rest of your Christmas cheer. But don't play it too loud, you might disturb your grandparents. They probably wouldn't like it.

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Some students escape recession's bite

◆ *Bowling Green has not been hurt by the recession as badly as other parts of the country*

BY JOHN MARTIN

Christmas songs fill the air as a flood of shoppers flows through Greenwood Mall, its halls lined with the bright lights and colors of the season.

As children match notes with Santa Claus on the mall's center stage, stores are packed with customers, most of whom have checkbooks and credit cards poised and ready for action.

The scene at the mall doesn't reflect all areas of the country. An economic recession nationally has hurt many parts of the country, especially those dependent on one single industry, economics Associate Professor Charles Roberts said.

"We're diversified into manufacturing, agriculture, real estate and commerce, and none of those things have been hurt as bad in this area."

The area is not recession-proof, but "recession-resistant," said Rick Dubose, Bowling Green/Warren County Chamber of Commerce executive director.

"Our industries here have done a little

bit better than the national average."

The presence of Western in the region helps give the economy a boost at Christmas time, Dubose said.

"It certainly is a factor," he said. "Students definitely spend some money and do some Christmas shopping here."

Student shoppers said they are well aware of the tough economic times throughout the nation.

Crystal Smith, a sophomore from Newburgh, Ind., said she works at Golden Chain Gang in her hometown. Business there has been slower than normal, so Smith said she doesn't have as much

money this year as she normally does.

"I'm making money," she said, "but not as much as I could."

Louisville junior Lauren Yates said her budget is tight, so she's taking matters into her own hands this year.

"I'm making all my presents," she said, "except for my fiancée. I know he'll spend a lot of money on me, so I guess I need to do the same."

Leitchfield graduate student Rhonda Smith said she doesn't personally feel affected by the recession. "I didn't have any money before the recession, and I don't have any money after it."

A SEASON OF HOPE!

THE PROMISE OF CHRISTMAS

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Isaiah 9:6-7



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In the last Children's Theatre production, "The Story of the Nutcracker," Darrel Wright, sprays his hair before start of the second act. Wright played BonBon in the play.

Children's Theatre tells 'Story of the Nutcracker'

BY ANYA L. ARMES

The stone, screened fireplace looked as if it could have ignited any minute. Next to it stood a decorated Christmas tree with colorfully wrapped presents underneath.

Two children came running through the room, one giggling and hiding, the other yelling and upset to be looking for her.

The Christmas Eve scene could have been from just about any family gathering. But, in this case, it was a scene from "The Story of the Nutcracker" by Michele Vacca.

Western's department of theatre and dance presented the play last weekend at Theatre 100 in Gordon Wilson Hall. It was the last production in the Children's Theatre Series.

The play differed from the traditional Nutcracker Ballet in that dialogue was included along with ballet dance, the play's Director Adam Pawlowski said. "It follows the traditional tale."

In Vacca's story, a little girl, Marie, dreamt that the dolls she and her brother got for Christmas became real. After fighting off attacking mice warriors, the dolls, a nutcracker, a toy soldier and beautiful Miss Clara took Marie to their home.

There, they threw a party in Marie's honor and performed dances for the Sugar Plum Fairy. The dances included the same music from the Nutcracker Ballet but were performed by only one or a few of the cast

members instead of a whole ballet troupe.

"The kids love the dance parts," Pawlowski said. "They're on their level, they enjoy it thoroughly."

The children at Sunday afternoon's performance laughed as Michael Rohrer, who played the Sugar Plum Fairy's Butterscotch Page, bumbled and galloped across the stage during his dance.

Rohrer, an Arlington junior, was one of a few of the cast members who had never seen the Nutcracker Ballet.

"I knew very little about it," Rohrer said, "just not the whole story." He said working on the story version of the play prepared him for Christmas.

"Holidays get you in the spirit anyway," he said. "A Christmas show helps. This kind of show is for little kids. It gives you a whole different feeling."

"Little kids like Christmas — that magic. It makes it fun for children."

Crestwood junior Melanie Kidwell played Miss Clara, a doll that comes to life in Marie's dream. She has seen the Nutcracker Ballet performed "every year since I can remember."

"I always loved it," she said. "I appreciate the opportunity to be able to dance part of it. The Nutcracker to me means Christmas."

Teri Johnson, a senior from Austin, Texas, danced "little kid roles" in the Nutcracker with

Ballet Austin for five years. She played the Sugar Plum Fairy in the children's show.

"It has put me in the Christmas mood real early," she said. "I always idolized the Sugar Plum Fairy as a kid."

Johnson said because she saw the Nutcracker before she was in it, "I sort of relate to how the kids feel watching it."

Six year-old Ashley Griggs went to the show with her mother. She said she liked the play, especially the Sugar Plum Fairy.

Griggs said she has the movie version of the Nutcracker, but she liked the play better "because the one I have on tape doesn't have the fairy."

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Choral group to present 'Messiah' at Van Meter

BY CHRIS POYNTER

The walls of Van Meter Auditorium will ring with 40 voices and an orchestra Saturday when the Southern Kentucky Choral Society presents Handel's "Messiah" and Vivaldi's "Gloria."

This is the second time the group has presented the "Messiah" on campus. This

year's show features part one of the "Messiah" and all of "Gloria."

The show, which begins at 8 p.m., will be conducted by music Assistant Professor Gary McKercher.

Tickets — at \$5 for adults and \$3 for senior citizens and students — can be purchased at the door.

SANTA: Store Santas told never to make promises

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to Santa."

Some children are confused by the concept of "the real Santa," which is why Huff was told when hired never to use "I" when talking with a child. The Santas are also told never to make promises.

"Kids remember Santa's promises," he said. The mall won't allow any store to have a Santa to avoid confusion.

But this doesn't guarantee him free of problems.

One boy visiting Huff sat on his lap and when Santa asked what he wanted for Christmas replied, "What the hell does it matter? You didn't bring me what I wanted last year."

However, Huff plans to apply for the Santa position again next year.

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Activists urge shoppers to avoid buying war toys

BY TRINA HELLSON

A young boy stood in the Christmas Shop in the Greenwood Mall, a toy machine gun in his hand. He grimaced as he aimed at the mall shoppers.

At the same time, 10 members of United Student Activists, equipped with fliers and red or green elf hats, had their third annual anti-war toy campaign Saturday.

Gary Houchens, student activists' president, said they were targeting everyone who walked through the door.

"Usually everybody has the opportunity to buy a toy for a child," the Scottsville junior said.

They told people of the dangers of war toys, which Houchens described as guns, military hardware such as tanks or helicopters equipped to attack, games about war and even violent video games.

Houchens said they were there because, "violence and violent attitudes permeate our society. Guns reinforce violent attitudes and teach children that violence is fun."

Erica Card, a senior from Heidelberg, Germany, said she had only one bad response from a man who said he grew up playing with toy guns, and he didn't feel they were bad.

Houchens said they weren't just there to discourage buying war toys, but also to encourage buying peace toys.

The flier discussed the ills of war toys and gave a list of constructive toys for children from age 2 to 17.

Houchens said he grew up with toy guns and playing war, but his parents instilled in him the values of peace and cooperation.

"Guns don't guarantee that the kid will be warped," Houchens said.

He said an occasional person will scoff and say guns can't be bad because everyone grew up with them, but Houchens said that is the problem.

He believes war toys at Christmas time "is a bad contradiction because this is the season where we're celebrating the birth of the Prince of Peace."

While Houchens came back to get Card, the rest



Tom Leininger/Herald

Activist Gene Kelly holds a sign expressing his feelings about war toys outside Greenwood Mall Saturday afternoon. The activists protested for 45 minutes before mall security broke them up.

of the activists were still at the toy store buying presents for a child they adopted from the angel tree at the mall.

"We're going to buy peaceful toys," he said.

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♦ Shopping on a shoestring

Campus stores sell nice, but cheap, gifts

BY LAURA MCCAULEY

If you're filled with the Christmas spirit but your bank account is almost empty, a couple of places on campus offer gifts to put under someone's tree without putting you under.

Bookstore offers shirts to paperbacks and CDs

The College Heights Bookstore offers several Christmas-oriented items, including cards, jewelry, and a Christmas ornament with the Western logo, for less than \$10.

"Our biggest sellers around Christmas are the logo shirts students buy to take home to their families," said David Evans, bookstore department manager.

Besides imprinted merchandise, the bookstore offers other potential gift items such as bestselling paperbacks, posters and a small selection of cassettes and compact discs.

Paducah junior Karen Wallace shopped in the bookstore for Western-oriented gifts for family members.

"It's my first year here, and I thought it would be neat to buy some WKU stuff for my cousins," Wallace said. "I looked in the mall, but they didn't have as much as they do here."

Museum Store has cookbooks, pottery

If Western merchandise seems like a tired alternative, the Museum Store in the Kentucky Building offers an assortment of crafts that are on sale for the

holidays.

Museum Store Clerk Sandra Horn has displayed Christmas ornaments, lead crystal Christmas tree boxes and porcelain Nativity scenes, all priced less than \$10.

"I've had a few students who've come in to buy Christmas gifts," Horn said. "Most of them buy our reproductions of Victorian jewelry."

The store also sells other Kentucky items such as cookbooks, pottery made by an Owensboro craftsman, and preserves and biscuit mix from Franklin.

Museum Store "grab bags" sell for \$1 and are filled with \$2 to \$5 worth of merchandise such as Christmas postcards, bookmarks and coloring books, which Horn said are ideal gifts for children.

Horn said that smaller, inexpensive items don't necessarily mean that the gift is insignificant if the giver makes the effort to search for something different.

"You can always find a nice box or paper to put it in," she said. "Sometimes the wrapping is more exciting than the gift."

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Christmas looks different around the world

By ALICIA I. GILBERT

For most of people, Christmas is spent decorating a tree, singing Christmas carols and drinking eggnog. But for some Western students, Christmas is somewhat different.

Senior Janet Piekstock and sophomore Ginger Piekstock, go home to Nassau, Bahamas, every year.

"We usually have a Christmas program at our church," Janet said. Then their family attends a carnival, which has rides and entertainment like carnivals in the United States.

The Bahamians also have a Junkanlo Festival "where the men and women prepare costumes with a certain theme," Janet said.

She said they are judged on the presentation of the theme. "They dance in the street to music."

Breeda Dennehy, a senior from Cork, Ireland, said she usually goes home for the holiday. Dennehy's father puts up a Christmas tree and has dinner. But "it's different in everyone's family," she said. "I have six sisters and one brother. If you want to give a small present, then you do."

Mohammad Barkawi, a junior from Jerusalem, said his country is mostly Islamic; however, the Christian families have the same kinds of celebrations as in America.

Dennehy said Irish and American Christmases are basically the same. "I think it's more materialistic here. It's becoming more like America."

Barkawi said there's a difference between the western and eastern countries he doesn't understand. "Christmas is later than in the west," he said. The Christmas season is in late

December to early January in Jerusalem. Christmas isn't celebrated on Dec. 25.

"There is no Christmas in China," said Beijing graduate student Shangzhi Chen, who stays here and spends Christmas with friends.

"We pick out American customs," Chen said.

South African junior Rory Lithgow said Christmas in his country is the same as Christmas here.

He doesn't go home for Christmas because of the expense. "I usually spend Christmas with my girlfriend."

Students, staff make gifts with own hands

By KAREN GIBSON

Many students have found innovative and inexpensive ways to give gifts and make a profit during the Christmas season.

Kathleen Rosian, a junior from Lake Cumberland designs "basically everything," including shirts, pants, socks and earrings.

She uses paints, glitter, ribbons and sequins to decorate clothing.

"When I see a cute idea, I write it down or sketch it, then I want to go home and do it."

Some of her ideas take only 10 minutes, but she said she has done items that take as long as eight hours to design.

She said that many times she can do an entire outfit for about \$12.

Rosian said she works on these projects year round, but the holidays are especially busy.

"It started out as a hobby, but it has bloomed into something more."

Rosian, an elementary education major, said she is considering changing her major to fashion design.

She also has found a way to advertise her work. She plans to take pictures of some of her designs and create her own catalog.

Shannon Gray, a junior from Gallatin, Tenn., makes many of the same items, but she gives most of her work away as gifts.

"I just do it for the enjoyment," she said. "It's like a stress reliever."

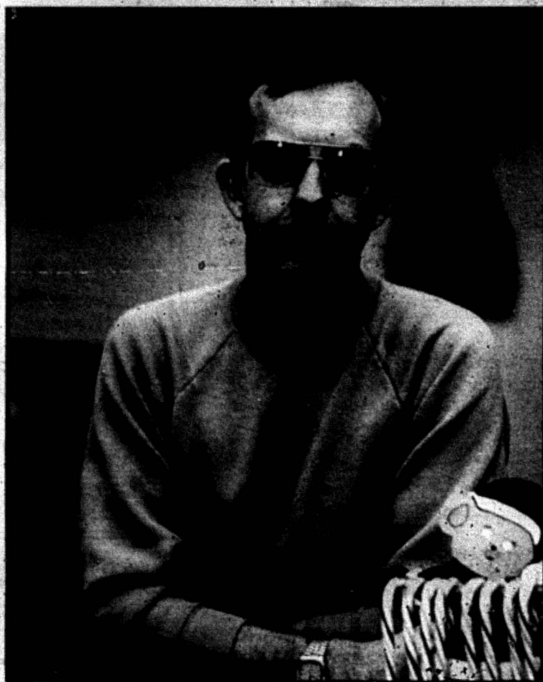
Gray said people who know her often ask her to make things for them, but she doesn't advertise a lot.

Gray also paints tennis shoes and picture frames. She said she can usually do sweatshirts or shoes for about \$6, and frames and earrings for \$2 or \$3.

"It's nice to give people things that you make," she said.

This hobby isn't limited to students though. Many other people at Western also find time to make crafts.

Donnie and Sheila Raines work as a team to make all sorts of



Kirk Wilson/Herald

What started out as a hobby has become a full-time job. Donnie and Sheila Raines have been woodworking for about five years. The Raineses say they will make just about anything people want.

country woodcrafts.

Donnie, a senior printer at the Print Shop in the Supply Services Building on campus, said he does most of the detail work such as the wood designs, and Sheila helps with the painting and staining.

"It started as a hobby, but it has become more of a full-time job," Donnie said. "We usually spend three to four hours a night, and even more on the weekends."

He said Sheila takes most of the orders and then brings the ideas to him.

He said they make just about anything people want.

Sheila, who works in the copy center at Page Hall, said they make everything, from tables and shelves to potty-training chairs, for children to sell or give to their friends as gifts.

For Christmas they make special items such as Santa Clauses, and in the past they have made other holiday items such as Easter bunnies and turkeys for Thanksgiving.

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SPORTS

BUDGET: Second cut not unlikely

By John Martin

Most agree that the statewide budget cut of this school year wasn't as harmful to Western as it could have been.

But that might not be the case if another cut strikes next semester.

A \$155 million state revenue shortfall necessitated the first cut of \$85 million. Of that cut, \$31 million went to higher education and was divided among the eight state universities.

The Board of Regents approved a plan Dec. 2 on how to handle Western's share, which came to \$2.36 million. Academic and non-academic departments absorbed \$127,537, while the rest was swallowed by excess tuition and money that was budgeted at years beginning but not spent.

A second cut this school year is possible, but not a certainty. "We have no indication one way or the other," President Thomas Meredith said.

State Sen. Mike Moloney, chairman of the Senate Appropriations and Revenue Committee, said a new revenue report is due Jan. 15.

If there is a second cut, it probably will come before March 1, Meredith said.

To prepare for a possible second cut, Meredith said all Western departments have been asked to set aside 10 percent of their budget and not spend it.

Ogden College Dean Charles Kupchella, a member of the budget committee, said the request was necessary to "build a little cushion" in case of a second cut.

"It will cramp their (department's) style a little bit, but I don't think it will cripple anyone."

Department heads are taking steps to deal with the freeze.

"We've asked people to shorten their telephone calls and watch their printing until we see what happens," Psychology Department Head John O'Connor said.

O'Connor said the cutback hasn't had a big effect yet, but it will be between now and March 1.

Interim marketing Department Head Douglas Fugate said his area is trying to prioritize spending.

"We'll have to keep the routine office expenses going," he said. "Probably what we'll be deferring are things dealing with equipment and purchases of new items."

One reason why some are uncertain about further cuts is the change of administrations in Frankfort. Gov. Brereton Jones was officially sworn in last night and will publicly take the oath of office at the State Capitol today. The first cut this year was announced by outgoing Gov. Wallace Wilkinson.

State Rep. Billy Ray Smith, D-Bowling Green, said he hopes no more cuts have to be made.

"Higher education took a little bit bigger bite than it should have."

Meredith said he's "fearful" that a second cut could effect university personnel, but that it's too early to say for sure.

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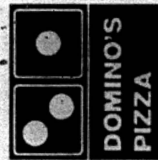


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Sports

Tops go for win No. 4 tomorrow

BY BRIAN DAUGHERTY

A year ago the Toppers lost their first three road games before beating previously undefeated Bowling Green State 90-77 in Diddle Arena.

Now, the tables are reversed. Western is 3-1 going into tomorrow night's contest with Bowling Green State at 6:30 in Bowling Green, Ohio, while the Falcons are 1-5. They picked up their first win Saturday over Army 59-44 in the Amana-Hawkeye Classic.

The Toppers are coming off an emotional 64-62 win at Eastern Kentucky last Wednesday.

Junior guard Mark Bell was named the TCBY

Sun Belt Conference Men's Player of the Week Sunday for his efforts against Eastern and Illinois-Chicago last week. His jumper with two seconds left against Eastern and a steal in the final seconds of the Illinois-Chicago game preserved two wins for the Toppers.

"He may be small in stature, but he's big in heart," Coach Ralph Willard said. "He won't back down from you. At this point, he's won a starting role."

Bowling Green went 17-13 and played in the National Invitational Tournament last season. They lost their first five games this season, including a 67-47 setback to Sun Belt Conference member Louisiana Tech, before beating Army.

The Falcons have 10 players who average at least 12 minutes per game, and all but one have started this season. Senior forward Tom Hall averages the most minutes, 31.7, and averages 12.7 points, 8.8 rebounds and two blocked shots.

A concern of Willard's is Bowling Green's Jason Crump, a 6-10 center who's averaging only four points and 1.5 rebounds but scored 14 against Army. Willard is also concerned about Bowling Green's outside shooting.

"They have good perimeter guards who can shoot the threes," Willard said. Guard Vada Burnett and forward Matt Otto are shooting 37.5 percent from three-point range.

Willard said Western has been preparing for

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◆ **The Toppers will play at 6:30 tomorrow night in Bowling Green, Ohio.**



Photo by Andy Lyons

Senior forward Jack Jennings, who has been out with a broken foot, said yesterday that he will be back in practice Thursday or Friday. He visited the doctor yesterday and said he might be back for the Austin Peay game Saturday.

◆ Swimming

Southwest Missouri ends Tops' win streak

BY TOM BATTERS

Unfortunately for Western's swimming team, Oral Roberts University wasn't the only team competing in the Southwest Missouri State Invitational in Springfield, Mo., last weekend.

The Toppers defeated Oral Roberts 80-78 but finished second in the four-team meet behind Southwest Missouri State. The University of Missouri at Rolla finished fourth.

The win increased Southwest Missouri's record to 8-3, while Western went to 5-1.

"We were so far behind Southwest Missouri and so far ahead of Rolla that we started really concentrating on finishing ahead of Oral Roberts," Coach Bill Powell said.

The scoring between Western and Oral Roberts was close throughout the two-day meet. Powell, sensing that it would come down to the very end, saved Seth Reetz, Ben Graves, Chris Healy and Todd Bollinger for the final race on Saturday which was the 400-yard relay.

The Toppers won in 3:10.6. "The last race was the highlight of the meet," said Co-Captain B.D.

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Western freshman gets homecoming as high school retires her jersey

◆ **The Lady Toppers will take on Kentucky at 8 p.m. tomorrow night in Diddle Arena**

BY CARA ANNA

For the first time in two months, freshman basketball player Ida Bowen could go home yesterday.

Home is Inez, a town of 511 huddled close to the West Virginia border. Bowen made the five-hour trip east to retire her high school jersey last night.

She is the first player from there, male or female, to do so.

Bowen, a lanky 6-2 point guard, signed with Western after starting her four years at Sheldon Clark High School. She was last year's Miss Basketball.

"We really chased Ida since her freshman year," Assistant Coach

Steve Small said. The chase included trips by the coaching staff to tiny Inez.

"Inez is just a unique Eastern

Kentucky type of town," Small said. "It's a great place to visit."

However, it was not an easy place to leave. It took Bowen two months at Western to get over being homesick.

"It's hard to get used to it all," she said. "I'm so excited to go home I can hardly wait."

Bowen was the top recruit from the state and picked Western over several other Division I schools, including nearby Kentucky.

The Lady Kats, minus Bowen, but plus four returning starters, come into Diddle Arena tomorrow night to meet the eighth-ranked Lady Toppers, who are 2-1 on the season.

Kentucky will enter the 8 p.m. tipoff with a 4-3 record. All three of the team's losses have been to undefeated, Top 25 schools.

The team went 20-9 last year with an appearance in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

Kentucky had been one of Bowen's favorite

"I'm so excited to go home I can hardly wait."

— Ida Bowen
Western basketball player



Photo by Andy Lyons

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Coach Paul Sanderford works with his team in practice Friday.

Track teams lose first meet

By Danny English

Western's track teams competed in their first meet of the season at Middle Tennessee Sunday in Murfreesboro.

Both the men's and women's teams lost in all of their dual meets. The men lost to Murray State and Middle Tennessee. The women lost to Murray State, Tennessee State and Middle Tennessee.

Coach Curtiss Long said this meet was just a low key, developmental first meet, so he was not disappointed.

"We were very happy with the level of our performance," Long said. "We feel like we have some good young athletes in track. I think we ended 1991 with a positive note."



Photo by Andy Lyons

Derek Flowers goes up for a shot during practice Friday. The Toppers play at Bowling Green State tomorrow night.

SHOOT: Jennings may practice this week

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Bowling Green's inside game and outside shooting in practice. "They run and jump defensively in the halfcourt, and by that I mean they trap constantly in halfcourt."

Concerning his own club, Willard is looking for improvement in every area. The Toppers shooting, which had hovered around the 30 percent mark early in the season, is an area that seems to be picking up. Western shot 47 percent against Eastern last week.

"Our shooting is going to improve," Willard said. "We only have two hours a day to practice, though, and we're going to spend it on defense and conditioning."

Darnell Mee, a 6-3 junior from Cleveland, Tenn., is in a shooting slump, making only 26 percent of his shots.

Willard said Mee, who shot 46 percent last season, is tired from playing so many minutes. "He's our leading steal guy. He leads us in deflections. He's second in

rebounds and he's doing so many other things for us. I haven't had an opportunity to rest him more."

Western's starting lineup will be Bell and Mee at guard, Harold Thompkins at small forward, Scott Boley at power forward and Bryan Brown at center.

When forwards Jack Jennings and Darius Hall return from injuries, and Lorenzo Lockett becomes eligible Dec. 23, Willard thinks that will take some of the pressure off of Mee. "That will allow him to become more of the focal point of our offense."

Jennings, who has been out with a broken foot, said yesterday that he hopes to return to practice Thursday or Friday. He went to the doctor yesterday and said that he might be back for Saturday's Austin Peay game.

Former Kentucky AHSU standout Greg Glass will transfer to Western in the spring semester.

Glass played at Todd County Central High in Elkton, averaging 22 points and 11 rebounds his senior year in 1990, and signed with Alabama. He was a redshirt last season and has not played in any games this season.

Glass, a 6-7, 205-pound forward, will have two and a half years of eligibility, beginning in December 1993.

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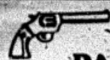
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INTRAMURAL- RECREATIONAL SPORTS PAGE

POSSE WINS GIRLS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

After being undefeated and ranked number one in the Im-Rec Poll for the entire season, The Posse beat Kappa Delta to win the

women's intramural basketball tournament 17-13 last Wednesday.

The Posse beat Bemis in the semifinals to advance to the finals,

with Kappa Delta earning a spot in the final game by beating Sigma Kappa.

"This season was very competitive, especially the final and semi-final games between the independent teams. The games were very aggressive, but then you can expect that in any tournament," said Student Supervisor Lisa Handy. Posse teammate Pam Kiggins said, "It was very intense. We had just played a game right before that (the final). The KD's gave us a good fight. In the game against Bemis, the refs could have been better; they (Bemis) were very physical.

Most of us have been on the team for two years before this one and have been playing together for three years, so we were thinking "This is it! We finally made it!" That was our driving force. Everyone on our team put in a good effort."

Chris English, assis-

tant director, said, "This area has shown growth over the years and this one was no exception. The quality of these teams has improved immensely over the past couple of years. Because of the popularity of women's basketball overall throughout the United States, this program offers students not only the opportunity to participate in the sport, but also a chance to develop their skill."

Handy added, "I'm looking forward to the volleyball season at the beginning of next semester."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sport Final Entry

Volleyball	Jan. 22
Racquetball	Jan. 29
Bowling	Jan. 29

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9. Delta Tau Delta I	6-2
10. Wedig	5-2



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Sigma Kappa's Heather Holland wrestles the ball from Kappa Delta's Susan Mitchell during intramurals Wednesday.

Health Tip of the Week:



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Health tips courtesy of APPLE Health Promotion Program.



Athletes of the Week



Anthony Cobb is the McDonald's Male Athlete of the week. He plays volleyball for Osterich Breath and led the team to a 15-2, 15-12 win over The Guns December 5, with 10 kills to his credit. He will receive a free meal compliments of McDonald's.

Natural Talent teammate Lori Thomas is the Female Athlete of the Week. She is also the coach of Natural Talent and the coach of a men's volleyball team, the Mountain Oysters. Her six kills Thursday night helped her team defeat the Boo's crew. She will also receive a complimentary meal at McDonald's.

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BOWEN: Eighth-ranked Lady Tops to go against Kentucky

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teams when she was growing up, but her loyalties changed in high school when she heard more about Western.

Her new life as a Lady Topper has been busy and at times painful. Bowen collided with teammate Debbie Scott last week and was sent to the hospital for what was thought to be a concussion. "It was just a

bruise," Bowen said.

After four years of starting and starring, Western's newest Miss Basketball has found the bench for the first time. She doesn't mind, considering the quality of her teammates.

"I think it's neat, because Western's got most of the Miss Basketballs," she said. "It's good to know where they went."

The Lady Toppers also have 1988's Miss Basketball, Kim Pehlke; an Indiana Miss

Basketball, Renee Westmoreland; and a Tennessee Miss Basketball, Scott.

Even with such players as teammates, Bowen has managed to average 11 minutes a game.

"I've played a lot — a lot more than I expected," she said. "I'm working my butt off every day."

"She has the potential to be an All-American here," Small said. "She has the tools to set a lot of records."

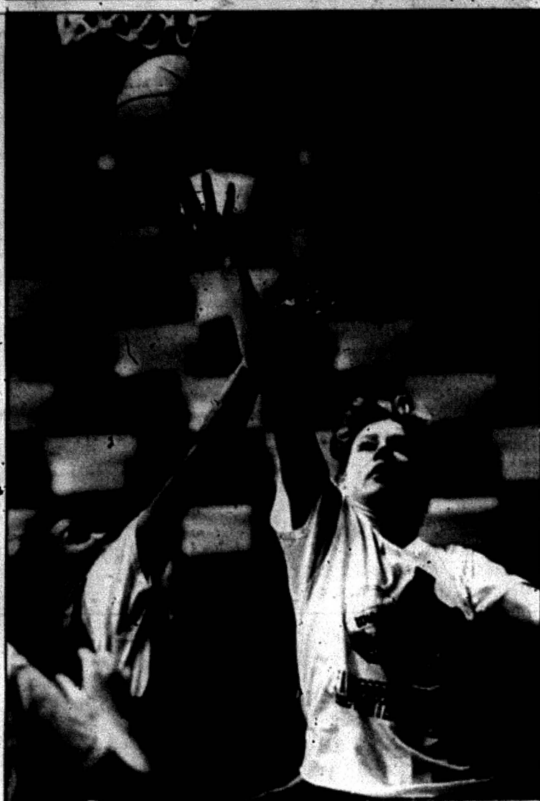


Photo by Andy Lyons

Debbie Scott goes up for a shot during practice Friday. The Lady Toppers will play Kentucky at 8 p.m. tomorrow in Diddle Arena.



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Loss: Tops place second at invitational

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Diercks. "It was good to come home on a positive note."

"We defeated them strictly on our depth," Powell said. "They had more first place finishers, but we came through with second and third place points."

Southwest Missouri Coach Jack Steck said the 337-33 margin over Western was misleading. "WKU has an impressive young team and swam well," he said. "In the years that I've competed against Coach Powell, he's always had a well-coached, first-class program."

Western's individual winners included: Graves in the 50-yard freestyle (21.5); John Dissinger in the 1650-yard freestyle (7:01.02); and Jay Glick in the 400 individual medley (42.33).

Sophomore Jonathan Coombs finished fourth in the 200-yard freestyle with a personal best time of 2:01, behind Tomas Diercks of Oral Roberts who was a Pan-American Games finalist this summer.

Powell said the turning point of the meet came in the 800 freestyle relay, in which Jay Glick, Richard Rutherford, John Dissinger and Seth Reetz won with a 7:04.95 time to stay in contention with Oral Roberts before defeating them in the final relay.

Western divers Jason Gager and Matt Kragh finished sixth and seventh overall. "We don't have a three-meter diving board, so it makes it hard for them to practice," Powell said. "But they still threw some big dives and showed some guts."

Junior Chris Healy, who had never been under 1:50 in the 200 freestyle, posted a personal best, 1:47.8.

The Toppers will compete in the Tampa Invitational over Christmas break.

"There is still a long way to go and a lot more work to do," Diercks said. "After Christmas, I think we will drop some much better times."

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